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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, CGEN, HU

SUBJECT: CASE OF JANOS PATAKI - CONTINGENCY PRESS GUIDANCE

1. FOLLOWING IS CURRENT DEPARTMENT CONTINGENCY PRESS GUIDANCE WHICH MAY BE USED ONLY IF ASKED. SWISS GOVERNMENT MAY BE INFORMED OF CONTENT. NO QUESTIONS WERE ASKED AT NOON PRESS BRIEFING.

2. QUOTE Q: HAS JANOS PATAKI, FORMER HUNGARIAN AMBASSADOR TO GHANA, REQUESTED ASYLUM AT THE U.S. EMBASSY IN BERN?

A: WE UNDERSTAND THAT MR. PATAKI IS STAYING IN SWITZERLAND. WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT HE HAS APPLIED FOR A VISA TO COME TO THE UNITED STATES. HIS APPLICATION IS

BEING CONSIDERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH EXISTING LAWS AND CONFIDENTIAL

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REGULATIONS.

Q: HAS HE BEEN GRANTED ASYLUM BY SWITZERLAND?

A: YOU WOULD HAVE TO ASK THE SWISS GOVERNMENT.

Q: DID HE ALSO ASK FOR ASYLUM AT THE EMBASSY?

A: THE QUESTION OF ASYLUM IS THE RESPONSIBILITY
OF THE COUNTRY IN WHICH THE REQUEST IS MADE - IN THIS
CASE, SWITZERLAND, WHICH IS SIGNATORY TO THE CONVENTION
RELATING TO THE STATUS OF REFUGEES. END QUOTE. KISSINGER

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